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Arizona Corporation Commission
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Phoenix, Arizona 85007

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Subject: Docket No E-00000XX-13-0214, Please Oppose Rollbacks and Revisions to the Energy Efficiency Standard

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Dear Chairman Stump and Commissioners:

Given the importance and achievement of the state's energy efficiency standards, I was very alarmed to learn of the proposal to eliminate Arizona's energy efficiency standard and especially troubled as to the short time frame in which the public was given to comment. In just three years, the Standards have saved Arizona consumers and businesses more than \$540 million. They have saved enough electricity to power 133,000 homes and have prevented the emission of more than 10 million tons of carbon dioxide. Thus I find the mere fact this is even being debated right now contemptible and derelict of your duty to represent the interests of Arizona rate payers, not the profit margin of Pinnacle West.

First, I ask that the commission extend the comment period on the proposal to eliminate the standards. Second, leave the standards intact.

The Commission ought to continue its support for the energy efficiency programs and policies through our Energy Efficiency Standard. For the programs driven by the EES help ratepayers reduce their utility bills and save money, plus keep their homes more comfortable. These efficiency programs create jobs in our communities and help our economy overall by keeping more of our energy dollars here in Arizona. Because they save energy and reduce demand for electricity, they drive down energy costs for everyone.

Under the standard, Arizona's top two investor-owned utilities have increased the number of programs offered and, combined, have saved \$928 million in net economic benefits since 2008 through lower utility bills, reduced air pollution, and saved water. A Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory analysis found that the EES will produce cumulative savings exceeding 6,800 GWh by 2020 and \$9 billion in bill savings for Arizona customers by 2030.

I also ask that you keep the gas energy efficiency requirements in place too. These have potential to contribute to even more energy savings.

Because of these significant benefits, I urge you to oppose weakening or rolling back of Arizona's energy efficiency goals and to also oppose any reopening or revision of the EES. The EES has been a great success story for Arizona.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jordan Hancock

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